

191—48.13 (272D) Suspension for failure to pay state debt.

48.13(1) The commissioner shall deny the issuance or renewal of a viatical settlement broker license upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue according to the procedures in Iowa Code chapter 272D. In addition to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 272D, this rule shall apply.

48.13(2) Upon receipt of a certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue according to the procedures set forth in Iowa Code chapter 272D, the commissioner shall issue a notice to the viatical settlement broker that the viatical settlement broker's pending application for licensure, pending request for renewal, or current license will be suspended 30 days after the date of the notice. Notice shall be sent to the viatical settlement broker's last-known address by restricted certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal service in accordance with the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. Alternatively, the applicant or licensed viatical settlement broker may accept service personally or through authorized counsel.

48.13(3) Pursuant to Iowa Code section 272D.8, the notice shall contain the following items:

- a.* A statement that the commissioner intends to suspend the viatical settlement broker's application, request for renewal or current license in 60 days;
- b.* A statement that the viatical settlement broker must contact the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue to schedule a conference or to otherwise obtain a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance;
- c.* A statement that the viatical settlement broker's application, request for renewal or current license will be suspended or denied if the commissioner does not receive a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue within 30 days of the issuance of notice under this rule; or, if the current license is on suspension, a statement that the viatical settlement broker's current license will be revoked;
- d.* A statement that the viatical settlement broker does not have a right to a hearing before the commissioner, but that the viatical settlement broker may file an application for a hearing in district court pursuant to Iowa Code section 272D.9;
- e.* A statement that the filing of an application with the district court will stay the proceedings of the commissioner;
- f.* A copy of the certificate of noncompliance.

48.13(4) Viatical settlement brokers shall keep the commissioner informed of all court actions and all actions taken by the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue under or in connection with Iowa Code chapter 272D; and viatical settlement brokers shall provide to the commissioner, within seven days of filing or issuance, copies of all applications filed with the district court pursuant to Iowa Code section 272D.9, all court orders entered in such actions, and withdrawals of certificates of noncompliance by the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue.

48.13(5) The effective date of revocation or suspension of a viatical settlement broker license, as specified in the notice required by Iowa Code section 272D.8 and subrule 48.13(2), shall be 60 days following service of the notice upon the applicant or licensed viatical settlement broker.

48.13(6) In the event an applicant or licensed viatical settlement broker timely files a district court action following service of notice by the commissioner pursuant to Iowa Code section 272D.9, the commissioner's suspension proceedings will be stayed until the commissioner is notified by the district court of the resolution of the application. Upon receipt of a court order lifting the stay, or otherwise directing the commissioner to proceed, the commissioner shall continue with the intended action described in the notice. For purposes of determining the effective date of the denial of the issuance or renewal of a viatical settlement broker license, the commissioner shall count the number of days before the action was filed and the number of days after the court disposed of the action.

48.13(7) If the commissioner does not receive a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue or a notice from a clerk of court that an application for hearing has been filed, the commissioner shall suspend the viatical settlement broker's application, request for renewal or current license 60 days after the notice is issued.

48.13(8) Upon receipt of a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance from the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue, suspension proceedings shall halt, and the named viatical settlement broker shall be notified that the proceedings have been halted. If the viatical settlement broker's license has already been suspended, the license shall be reinstated if the viatical settlement broker is otherwise in compliance with this chapter. All fees required for license renewal or license reinstatement must be paid by the viatical settlement broker, and all continuing education requirements must be met before the viatical settlement broker's license will be renewed or reinstated after a license suspension or revocation pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 272D.

48.13(9) The commissioner shall notify the viatical settlement broker in writing through regular first-class mail, or such other means as the commissioner deems appropriate in the circumstances, within ten days of the effective date of the suspension or revocation of the viatical settlement broker license, and shall similarly notify the viatical settlement broker when the viatical settlement broker license is reinstated following the commissioner's receipt of a withdrawal of the certificate of noncompliance.

48.13(10) Notwithstanding any statutory confidentiality provision, the commissioner may share information with the centralized collection unit of the department of revenue for the sole purpose of identifying viatical settlement brokers subject to enforcement under Iowa Code chapter 272D.

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